## MASSACHUSETTS WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT SYSTEM

## MassWorkforce Issuance

## **Workforce Issuance No. 13-56**

□ Policy ☑ Information

**To:** Chief Elected Officials

Workforce Investment Board Chairs Workforce Investment Board Directors

Title I Administrators Career Center Directors Title I Fiscal Officers DCS Operations Managers

cc: WIA State Partners

**From:** Alice Sweeney, Director

Department of Career Services

Date: October 3, 2013

**Subject:** Workforce Training Fund Program Hiring Incentive Grant Changes

**Purpose:** To notify Local Workforce Investment Boards, One-Stop Career Center Operators

and other local workforce investment partners of changes regarding the Hiring

Incentive Training Grant (HITG), Workforce Training Fund Program.

**Background:** The Hiring Incentive Training Grant (HITG) of the Workforce Training Fund

<u>Program</u> provides grants to businesses that hire and retain unemployed individuals and Veterans. MassWorkforce Issuance No. 13-47 included information that the Advisory Board had approved an increase to \$5,000 per eligible new employee and maximum of \$75,000 per company in a one year period.

- 1. A new HITG application and guidance incorporating these changes is now available at <a href="https://www.mass.gov/wtfp">www.mass.gov/wtfp</a>
- 2. The one-year period has been changed to one calendar year.

While the new policy has been in effect for any new hires as of August 1, 2013, the application format did not support the increased grant amount.

Action

**Required:** Local areas working with businesses should be aware of the changes to the HITG

Grant application.

**Inquiries:** 

Please refer business representatives seeking information about the HITG application to John Huynh at (617) 717-6912 or at <a href="mailto:jhuynh@commcorp.org">jhuynh@commcorp.org</a>

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